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TALBOT COUNTY SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR "MOST BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE" VOLUNTEER AWARDS

TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND – Nominations are being accepted now through Friday, October 5, 2012 for Talbot County's Most Beautiful People volunteer awards. These awards honor the unsung heroes who help make Talbot County a better place to live, work and visit. The Maryland You Are Beautiful program has been integrated into the annual Governor's Volunteer Service Awards recognition program. By joining these two forces, volunteers will be recognized by various categories.

Talbot County residents are encouraged to submit nominations for individuals to be named as the County's "Most Beautiful Person." Anyone who has given generously of his or her time to organize events, assisted with providing community services, or other important volunteer efforts is eligible for nomination. Any Talbot County nominee must be a resident of the County, volunteer their time in Talbot County, and be over 18 years of age.

All nominees will be honored at a local awards ceremony to be held in November. The nominees' names will be forwarded to the Governor's Office on Service & Volunteerism in March. The Governor's Volunteer Service Awards event always takes place in April during National Volunteer Week. Like Maryland You Are Beautiful, the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards ceremony takes place in Annapolis.

Nomination forms are available at the Talbot County Manager's Office, Talbot County Free Library, and the Talbot County Tourism Office or by calling 410-770-8010. You may also visit the County's website at www.talbotcountymd.gov for a nomination form.

Visit the Governor's Office on Service & Volunteerism website at <u>www.gosv.state.md.us</u> for further information.